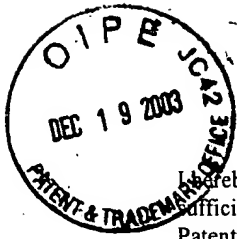


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In connection with the above-referenced U. S. patent application, transmitted herewith are the following papers:

- ☒ [x] Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 to official action mailed December 4, 2003.
- ☐ [] A petition for extension of time is also enclosed with a fee of \$55.00 for a one-month extension for a small entity.
- ☐ [] Terminal disclaimer under 37 C.F. R. § 1.321(c), including
 - ☐ [] check for \$110.00 fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d), and
 - ☐ [] 2 certificates under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b).
- ☐ [] Information disclosure statement, form 1449 and ___ references.
- ☒ [x] No additional claims fees are required.

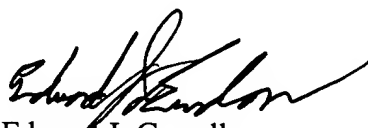
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In response to the office action of **December 4, 2003**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.